



## *Some Ojibwe Phrases for Meal Times*

*Here is a short list with some Ojibwe phrases you can use with your child.*

<i>Gibakade na?</i>	<i>Are you hungry?</i>
<i>Giwii-wiisin ina?</i>	<i>Do you want to eat?</i>
<i>Gigiishkaabaagwe na?</i>	<i>Are you thirsty?</i>
<i>Giga-wiisinimin wayiiba.</i>	<i>We are going to eat soon.</i>
<i>Gidaa-giziibiigininjii.</i>	<i>You should wash your hands.</i>
<i>Ozisinaaganedaa.</i>	<i>Let's set the table.</i>
<i>Mii azhigwa ji-wiisinyang.</i>	<i>It's time for us to eat.</i>
<i>Wiisinidaa.</i>	<i>Let's eat.</i>

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## *Some More Ojibwe Phrases for Meal Times*

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<i>Gojipidan</i>	<i>Taste it.</i>
<i>Gidaa-gojipidaan</i>	<i>You should taste it.</i>
<i>Nawaj ina i'iw giwii-miijin?</i>	<i>Do you want to eat more of that?</i>
<i>Badaka'igan aabajitoon.</i>	<i>Use a fork.</i>
<i>Badaka'igan gidaa-aabajitoon.</i>	<i>You should use a fork.</i>
<i>Emikwaanes aabajitoon.</i>	<i>Use a spoon.</i>
<i>Emikwaanens gidaa-aabajitoon.</i>	<i>You should use a spoon.</i>
<i>Miijin i'iw.</i>	<i>Eat that.</i>

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*Aaniin epogwak*

*How does it taste?*

*Wiishkobipogwad*

*It tastes sweet.*

*Zhiiwipogwad*

*It tastes sour.*

*Zhiiwitaaganipogwad*

*It tastes salty.*

*Minopogwad ina*

*Does it taste good?*

*Minopogwad*

*It tastes good.*

*Giminopidaan ina i'iw*

*Does it taste good to you?*

*Giminwanjigemin*

*We are eating well.*

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## *Still More Ojibwe Phrases for Meal Times*

*Geyaabi na gibakade?*

*Are you still hungry?*

*Gidaa-ininamawaa.*

*You should pass it to him.*

*Awegonen maajiyan*

*What are you eating?*

*Gidebisinii na*

*Are you full?*

*Wiidoopamishin.*

*Eat with me.*

*Gidaa-naadin miijim*

*You could get the food.*

*Gidaa-ininamaw ina*

*Could you hand that to me?*

*Gidaa-gojipidaan bangii*

*You should taste a little.*

*Gidaa-namadab wiisiniyan*

*You should sit when you eat.*

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